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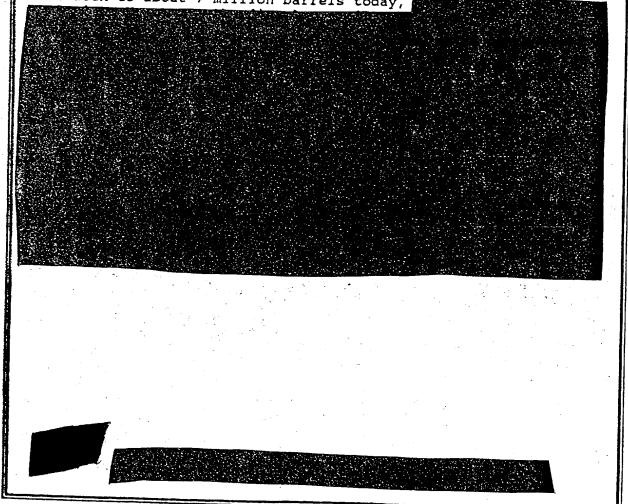
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IRAQ-KUWAIT: SITUATION REPORT #504

Iraq Spilling Oil into Gulf

The Iraqis apparently have begun dumping large volumes of crude oil into the Persian Gulf. A large oil slick is forming at the Mina al Ahmadi Single Point Mooring Buoy near the sea island terminal, The oil probably is coming from the North and South crude oil tank farms, which are connected by an underwater pipeline to the terminal. The amount of oil in the tanks has dropped from about 10 million barrels last week to about 7 million barrels today,





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